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ARTICLES SUBJECT TO: APPENDIX 1, HISTORICAL LICENSES, APPENDIX 2, NONHISTORICAL LICENSES; AND APPENDIX 3, DESIGNATED IMPORTER LICENSES FOR QUOTA YEAR 2007—Continued [Quantities in kilograms]

Article by additional U.S. note number and country of origin	Appendix 1	Appendix 2	Appendix 3	
			Tokyo round	Uruguay round
Israel Norway Switzerland Other Countries	27,000 3,187,264 1,283,125 85,275	468,046 400,980 1	3,227,690 1,745,895	200,000
TOTAL: CHEESE ARTICLES	68,346,120	19,554,533	22,764,145	24,921,000

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Subpart—Price-Undercutting of Domestic Cheese by Quota Cheeses

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§6.40 General.

This subpart sets forth the procedures applicable to the determination by the Secretary of Agriculture as to whether the price at which any article of quota cheese is being offered for sale in the United States on a duty-paid wholesale basis is less than the domestic wholesale market price of similar articles produced in the United States (i.e., price-undercutting) in accordance with section 702 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (Pub. L. 96–39, 93 Stat. 144, 19 U.S.C. 1202 note) (hereinafter referred to as the Act).

§ 6.41 Definitions.

- (a) Complainant means the person who has filed with the Investigating Authority, in accordance with the procedures set forth in this subpart, a written complaint alleging that price-undercutting is occurring.
- (b) Country of origin means the country, as defined in 19 CFR 134.1(b), in which the quota article subject to this regulation was produced or manufactured.
- (c) Foreign government means the government of the country of origin or, for purposes of determining whether a subsidy has been provided for the member states of the European Economic Com-

munity, the subsidy granting bodies of the European Economic Community.

- (d) Investigating Authority means the Director, Dairy, Livestock and Poultry Division, Commodity Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service.
- (e) Quota cheese means the articles provided for in the following items of the Tariff Schedules of the United States:

117.00 (except Stilton produced in the United Kingdom);

117.05 (except Stilton produced in the United Kingdom);

117.15;

117.20; 117.25;

117.42;

117.44;

117.55;

117.60 (except Gammelost and Nokkelost);

117.75 (except goat's milk cheeses and soft-ripened cow's milk cheeses);

117.81;

117.86;

117.88 (except goat's milk cheeses and soft-ripened cow's milk cheeses);

- (f) Secretary means the Secretary of Agriculture.
- (g) Subsidy has the same meaning as such term has in section 771(5) of the Tariff Act of 1930 as added by section 101 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (19 USC 1677(5)).
- (h) The *United States* means the Customs Territory of the United States, which is limited to the United States, District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

§ 6.42 Complaints of price-undercutting.

(a) Submission of complaint. Any person who has reason to believe that the price at which any article of quota cheese is offered for sale or sold in the

United States on a duty-paid wholesale price basis is less than the domestic wholesale market price of similar articles produced in the United States and that a foreign government is providing a subsidy with respect to such article of quota cheese may file with the Investigating Authority a written complaint making such allegation.

- (b) Contents of complaint. Such complaint shall contain, or be accompanied by, information to substantiate complainant's allegations, in substantially the following form:
- (1) The name and address of the complainant.
- (2) The location of the domestic wholesale market in which price-undercutting is alleged to be occurring.
- (3) The article of quota cheese involved in the alleged price-undercutting.
- (4) The country of origin of such article of quota cheese.
- (5) The similar domestic article, the price of which the complainant believes is being undercut.
- (6) The month and year that the complainant first concluded that the priceundercutting was taking place.
- (7) To extent known to the complainant, all pertinent facts with regard to the alleged subsidy, and, if known, the statutory or other authority under which it is paid, the manner in which it is paid, and the value of such subsidy when received and used by producers or sellers of such quota cheese.
- (8) All other information which the complainant believes substantiates the allegation of price-undercutting, including the complainant's estimate of the domestic wholesale market price of the similar article produced in the United States and the duty-paid wholesale price of the quota cheese involved. If available, samples of the domestic and imported cheese products should be submitted.

§ 6.43 Determinations.

(a) Making determinations. Not later than 30 days after receiving an acceptable complaint, as described in §6.42(b), alleging price-undercutting, the Secretary shall make a determination as to the validity of the allegation. In making such determination, the following shall apply:

- (1) The "domestic wholesale market" shall be one or more of the three major U.S. market areas, viz., New York City, Chicago, and San Francisco, and/or any other market area within the Customs Territory of the United States, which the Investigating Authority determines most representative of the area specified by the complainant as the one in which price-undercutting is alleged to be occurring (hereinafter referred to as "designated area").
- (2) The "duty-paid wholesale price" determined by the Investigating Authority shall be the average of prices at which wholesalers have sold or offered for sale in the designated area the article of quota cheese alleged to be involved in price-undercutting, as obtained in a survey directed by the Investigating Authority during the investigation: Provided, That whenever the designated area is not or does not include one of the major market areas specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, the Investigating Authority may adjust the average of prices determined for such designated area on the basis of the average of prices determined for the major market area which is determined to be the most representative of the designated area, taking into consideration any special factors which may be affecting prices in the designated area.
- (3) The "domestic wholesale market price" determined by the Investigating Authority for a similar article produced in the United States to that article of quota cheese which is alleged to be involved in price-undercutting shall be the average of prices at which wholesalers have sold the similar article produced in the United States in the designated area, as obtained in a survey directed by the Investigating Authority during the investigation: Provided, That whenever the designated area is not or does not include one of the major market areas specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, the Investigating Authority may adjust the average of prices determined for such designated area on the basis of the average of prices determined for the major market area which is determined to be the most representative of the designated area, taking into consideration any special factors which